

From maximal to minimal supersymmetry in string loop amplitudes

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supersymmetry

half-maximal

quarter-maximal



Open and unoriented worldsheets by identification

M.B., Haack, Kang, Sjörs '14



Lift to covering torus

M.B., Haack, Kang, Sjörs '14









infrared regularization

Minahan '87

Motivations

• moduli stabilization needs quantum effective action Balasubramanian, Berglund, Conlon, Quevedo '05

(example: Large volume scenario)

... dynamics of light moduli lead to phenomenology, cosmology



 interplay string/field theory amplitudes (KLT, BCJ, ...)



 $e_{\mu\nu} = e_{\mu}\tilde{e}_{\nu}$

Stieberger, Taylor '15

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"In order to decide whether theory I or theory II is the more promising candidate for phenomenology, some further theoretical developments may be necessary. For example, it is clearly important to incorporate symmetry breaking..."

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String perturbation theory: two expansions



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review in M.B., Buchberger, Schlotterer '16

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"input"

"output" (in principle known, but more work needed)

Matching to gravity

$$R_{mnpq} = \left(\frac{1}{2}h_{mq,np} + \frac{1}{8}\left(h_{mq,r}h_{np}, r + (h_{rm,q} + h_{rq,m} - 2h_{mq,r})\left(h^{r}_{n,p} + h^{r}_{p,n}\right)\right)\right) - (m \leftrightarrow n) - (p \leftrightarrow q) + ((m, n) \leftrightarrow (p, q)))$$

cross term in $R_{mnpq}R^{mnpq}$

Known facts about R² loop corrections

consider half-maximal (N = 4 in D = 4) Gregori, Kiritsis, ... '96

- even-even $(k_1e_2k_3)(k_2e_1e_3k_2) + 5$ perm.
- odd-odd $e_1e_2e_3 k_1k_2\epsilon k_1k_2\epsilon \eta$

contracts to same invariant as even-even, times constant *c*

Harvey, Moore '96

 $(c \pm c) R_{mnpq} R^{mnpq}$ cancel in IIB

consistent with duality: there should be R^2 in IIA from heterotic *tree-level* R^2

Known facts about R³ loop corrections

Grisaru '77

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Bergshoeff, de Roo '89

 naively vanish at any order "by supersymmetry" (no cubic superinvariant)

 $\alpha' H^2 R^3$

- can be nonzero in non-flat background
 - Maldacena, Pimentel '11
 - •••
 - Liu, Minasian '15
 - . . .

Generating function of z dependence

$$\Omega(z,\alpha) \equiv \exp\left(2\pi i\alpha \,\frac{\mathrm{Im}\,z}{\mathrm{Im}\,\tau}\right) \frac{\vartheta_1'(0)\vartheta_1(z+\alpha)}{\vartheta_1(z)\vartheta_1(\alpha)} \equiv \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha^{n-1} f^{(n)}(z) \,,$$

$$f^{(0)}(z) \equiv 1 , \qquad f^{(1)}(z) = \partial \ln \vartheta_1(z) + 2\pi i \frac{\operatorname{Im} z}{\operatorname{Im} \tau}$$
$$f^{(2)}(z) \equiv \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \left(\partial \ln \vartheta_1(z) + 2\pi i \frac{\operatorname{Im} z}{\operatorname{Im} \tau} \right)^2 + \partial^2 \ln \vartheta_1(z) - \frac{\vartheta_1^{\prime\prime\prime}(0)}{3\vartheta_1^\prime(0)} \right\}$$

Fay identity (like partial fraction decomposition):

. . .

$$f_{12}^{(1)}f_{13}^{(1)} + f_{21}^{(1)}f_{23}^{(1)} + f_{31}^{(1)}f_{32}^{(1)} = f_{12}^{(2)} + f_{13}^{(2)} + f_{23}^{(2)} ,$$

Basic definitions (open strings)

$$\mathcal{A}_{1/2}(1,2,\ldots,n) = \int d\mu_{12\ldots n}^{D=6} \left\{ \Gamma_{\mathcal{C}}^{(4)} \mathcal{I}_{n,\max} + \sum_{k=1}^{N-1} \hat{\chi}_k \mathcal{I}_{n,1/2}(\vec{v}_k) \right\}$$

measure:

$$\int \mathrm{d}\mu_{12\dots n}^{D} \equiv \frac{V_{D}}{8N} \int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{\mathrm{d}\tau_{2}}{(8\pi^{2}\alpha'\tau_{2})^{D/2}} \int dz_{1} dz_{2} \dots dz_{n} \,\delta(z_{1})\Pi_{n}$$
$$\int_{0 \leq \mathrm{Im}(z_{1}) \leq \mathrm{Im}(z_{2}) \leq \dots \leq \mathrm{Im}(z_{n}) \leq \tau_{2}}$$

even+odd:

$$\mathcal{I}_{n,1/2}(\vec{v}_k) \equiv \mathcal{I}^e_{n,1/2}(\vec{v}_k) + \mathcal{I}^o_{n,D=6}$$

even:

$$\mathcal{I}_{n,1/2}^{e}(\vec{v}_{k}) \equiv \frac{1}{\Pi_{n}} \sum_{\nu=2}^{4} (-1)^{\nu} \left[\frac{\vartheta_{\nu}(0,\tau)}{\vartheta_{1}'(0,\tau)} \right]^{2} \left[\frac{\vartheta_{\nu}(kv,\tau)}{\vartheta_{1}(kv,\tau)} \right]^{2} \left\langle V_{1}^{(0)}(z_{1}) V_{2}^{(0)}(z_{2}) \dots V_{n}^{(0)}(z_{n}) \right\rangle_{\nu}$$

Known spin sum

Maximal supersymmetry:

$$\mathcal{G}_N(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N) \equiv \sum_{\nu=2,3,4} (-1)^{\nu-1} \left(\frac{\vartheta_\nu(0)}{\vartheta_1'(0)}\right)^4 S_\nu(x_1) S_\nu(x_2) \dots S_\nu(x_N)$$

Fermion Green's function (Szegö kernel)

$$S_{\nu}(x) \equiv \frac{\vartheta_1'(0)\vartheta_{\nu}(x)}{\vartheta_{\nu}(0)\vartheta_1(x)}$$



Known systematics for maximal

Tsuchiya '88

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{G}_{N}(x_{1}, x_{2}, \dots, x_{N}) &= 0 , \qquad N \leq 3 \\ \mathcal{G}_{4}(x_{1}, x_{2}, x_{3}, x_{4}) &= 1 \\ \mathcal{G}_{5}(x_{1}, x_{2}, \dots, x_{5}) &= \sum_{j=1}^{5} f_{j}^{(1)} \\ \mathcal{G}_{6}(x_{1}, x_{2}, \dots, x_{5}) &= \sum_{j=1}^{6} f_{j}^{(2)} + \sum_{1 \leq j < k}^{6} f_{j}^{(1)} f_{k}^{(1)} \\ \mathcal{G}_{6}(x_{1}, x_{2}, \dots, x_{5}) &= \sum_{j=1}^{7} f_{j}^{(3)} + \sum_{1 \leq j < k}^{7} (f_{j}^{(2)} f_{k}^{(1)} + f_{j}^{(1)} f_{k}^{(2)}) + \sum_{1 \leq j < k < l}^{7} f_{j}^{(1)} f_{k}^{(1)} f_{l}^{(1)} \\ \mathcal{G}_{7}(x_{1}, x_{2}, \dots, x_{7}) &= \sum_{j=1}^{7} f_{j}^{(3)} + \sum_{1 \leq j < k}^{7} (f_{j}^{(2)} f_{k}^{(1)} + f_{j}^{(1)} f_{k}^{(2)}) + \sum_{1 \leq j < k < l}^{7} f_{j}^{(1)} f_{k}^{(1)} f_{l}^{(1)} \\ \mathcal{G}_{8}(x_{1}, x_{2}, \dots, x_{8}) &= \sum_{j=1}^{8} f_{j}^{(4)} + \sum_{1 \leq j < k}^{8} (f_{j}^{(3)} f_{k}^{(1)} + f_{j}^{(2)} f_{k}^{(2)} + f_{j}^{(1)} f_{k}^{(3)}) + \sum_{1 \leq j < k < l < m}^{8} f_{j}^{(1)} f_{k}^{(1)} f_{l}^{(1)} f_{m}^{(1)} \\ \mathcal{G}_{8}(x_{1}, x_{2}, \dots, x_{8}) &= \sum_{j=1}^{8} f_{j}^{(4)} + \sum_{1 \leq j < k}^{8} (f_{j}^{(3)} f_{k}^{(1)} + f_{j}^{(2)} f_{k}^{(2)} + f_{j}^{(1)} f_{k}^{(3)}) + \sum_{1 \leq j < k < l < m}^{8} f_{j}^{(1)} f_{k}^{(1)} f_{l}^{(1)} f_{m}^{(1)} \\ \mathcal{G}_{8}(x_{2}, x_{3}, x_{4}) &= \sum_{j=1}^{8} f_{j}^{(2)} f_{k}^{(1)} f_{l}^{(1)} + f_{j}^{(1)} f_{k}^{(2)} f_{l}^{(1)} + f_{j}^{(1)} f_{k}^{(1)} f_{l}^{(1)}] \\ \mathcal{G}_{8}(x_{1}, x_{2}, \dots, x_{8}) &= \sum_{j=1}^{8} f_{j}^{(4)} + \sum_{1 \leq j < k < l}^{8} (f_{j}^{(2)} f_{k}^{(1)} f_{l}^{(1)} + f_{j}^{(2)} f_{k}^{(2)} f_{l}^{(1)} + f_{j}^{(1)} f_{k}^{(1)} f_{l}^{(2)}] \\ \mathcal{G}_{8}(x_{1}, x_{2}, \dots, x_{8}) &= \sum_{j=1}^{8} f_{j}^{(4)} + \sum_{1 \leq j < k < l}^{8} (f_{j}^{(2)} f_{k}^{(1)} f_{l}^{(1)} + f_{j}^{(1)} f_{k}^{(2)} f_{l}^{(1)} + f_{j}^{(1)} f_{k}^{(1)} f_{l}^{(1)}] \\ \mathcal{G}_{8}(x_{1}, x_{2}, \dots, x_{8}) &= \sum_{j=1}^{8} f_{j}^{(4)} + \sum_{1 \leq j < k < l}^{8} (f_{j}^{(2)} f_{k}^{(1)} f_{l}^{(1)} + f_{j}^{(1)} f_{k}^{(2)} f_{l}^{(1)}] \\ \mathcal{G}_{8}(x_{1}, x_{2}, \dots, x_{8}) &= \sum_{j < k < l}^{8} (f_{j}^{(2)} f_{k}^{(1)} f_{l}^{(1)} + f_{j}^{(1)} f_{k}^{(2)} f_{l}^{(1)}] \\ \mathcal{G}_{8}(x_{1}, x_{2}, \dots, x_{8}) &= \sum_{j < k < l}^{8} (f_{j}^$$

Reducing supersymmetry (orbifold)

 $\gamma = kv$

Trick: orbifold partition function is like Green's function evaluated "at twist"

$$F_{1/2}^{(0)}(\gamma) \equiv 1 , \qquad F_{1/2}^{(2)}(\gamma) \equiv 2f^{(2)}(\gamma) - f^{(1)}(\gamma)^2$$
$$F_{1/2}^{(4)}(\gamma) \equiv 2f^{(4)}(\gamma) - 2f^{(3)}(\gamma)f^{(1)}(\gamma) + f^{(2)}(\gamma)^2$$

$$\mathcal{I}_{n,1/2}^{e}(\vec{v}_{k}) = \frac{1}{\Pi_{n}} \sum_{\nu=2}^{4} (-1)^{\nu-1} \left[\frac{\vartheta_{\nu}(0)}{\vartheta_{1}'(0)} \right]^{4} S_{\nu}(kv) S_{\nu}(-kv) \langle V_{1}^{(0)}(z_{1}) V_{2}^{(0)}(z_{2}) \dots V_{n}^{(0)}(z_{n}) \rangle_{\nu}$$
$$\sum_{\nu=2}^{4} (-1)^{\nu-1} \left[\frac{\vartheta_{\nu}(0)}{\vartheta_{1}'(0)} \right]^{4} S_{\nu}(\gamma) S_{\nu}(-\gamma) S_{\nu}(x_{1}) \dots S_{\nu}(x_{n}) = \mathcal{G}_{n+2}(x_{1}, x_{2}, \dots, x_{n}, \gamma, -\gamma)$$

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$$V_m(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \equiv \left(\alpha^n \Omega(x_1, \alpha) \Omega(x_2, \alpha) \dots \Omega(x_n, \alpha)\right)\Big|_{\alpha^m}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{G}_{2+2}(\gamma,-\gamma,x_{1},x_{2}) &= 1 \\ \mathcal{G}_{2+3}(\gamma,-\gamma,x_{1},x_{2},x_{3}) &= V_{1}(x_{1},x_{2},x_{3}) = f^{(1)}(x_{1}) + f^{(1)}(x_{2}) + f^{(1)}(x_{3}) \\ \mathcal{G}_{2+4}(\gamma,-\gamma,x_{1},\ldots,x_{4}) &= F^{(2)}_{1/2}(\gamma) + V_{2}(x_{1},\ldots,x_{4}) \\ \mathcal{G}_{2+5}(\gamma,-\gamma,x_{1},\ldots,x_{5}) &= F^{(2)}_{1/2}(\gamma)V_{1}(x_{1},\ldots,x_{5}) + V_{3}(x_{1},\ldots,x_{5}) \\ \mathcal{G}_{2+6}(\gamma,-\gamma,x_{1},\ldots,x_{6}) &= F^{(4)}_{1/2}(\gamma) + 3G_{4} + F^{(2)}_{1/2}(\gamma)V_{2}(x_{1},\ldots,x_{6}) + V_{4}(x_{1},\ldots,x_{6}) \\ \mathcal{G}_{2+7}(\gamma,-\gamma,x_{1},\ldots,x_{7}) &= (F^{(4)}_{1/2}(\gamma) + 3G_{4})V_{1}(x_{1},\ldots,x_{7}) \\ &\quad + F^{(2)}_{1/2}(\gamma)V_{3}(x_{1},\ldots,x_{7}) + V_{5}(x_{1},\ldots,x_{7}) \\ \mathcal{G}_{2+8}(\gamma,-\gamma,x_{1},\ldots,x_{8}) &= F^{(6)}_{1/2}(\gamma) + 10G_{6} + F^{(4)}_{1/2}(\gamma)V_{2}(x_{1},\ldots,x_{8}) + F^{(2)}_{1/2}(\gamma)V_{4}(x_{1},\ldots,x_{8}) \\ &\quad + 3G_{4}(F^{(2)}_{1/2}(\gamma) + V_{2}(x_{1},\ldots,x_{8})) + V_{6}(x_{1},\ldots,x_{8}) , \end{aligned}$$

IR regularization of (2-pt), 3-pt, ...

relax momentum conservation

or

e.g. Gregori et al K3 and K3 x T²

• complex momenta,

as used in spinor helicity formalism





3-pt function

$$Q_i^m \equiv \sum_{j \neq i} k_j^m f_{ij}^{(1)}$$

left-movers:

 $\mathcal{I}_{3} = \mathcal{G}_{2}(\gamma_{1},\gamma_{2}) \Big[\Big(\partial f_{12}^{(1)}(e_{1} \cdot e_{2})(e_{3} \cdot Q_{3}) + (3 \leftrightarrow 2,1) \Big) - (e_{1} \cdot Q_{1})(e_{2} \cdot Q_{2})(e_{3} \cdot Q_{3}) \Big] \\ + \Big[\mathcal{G}_{4}(\gamma_{1},\gamma_{2},z_{12},z_{21})t(1,2)(e_{3} \cdot Q_{3}) + (3 \leftrightarrow 2,1) \Big] + \mathcal{G}_{5}(\gamma_{1},\gamma_{2},z_{12},z_{23},z_{31})t(1,2,3) \Big]$

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Lorentz traces of linearized field strength:

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$$- (e_1 \cdot e_2)(k_2 \cdot k_3)(e_3 \cdot k_1) + (e_1 \cdot e_2)(k_2 \cdot e_3)(k_3 \cdot k_1)$$

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$$+ (k_1 \cdot e_2)(k_2 \cdot k_3)(e_3 \cdot e_1) - (k_1 \cdot e_2)(k_2 \cdot e_3)(k_3 \cdot e_1)$$

$$t(1,2,\ldots,n) \equiv (e_1 \cdot k_2)(e_2 \cdot k_3)(e_3 \cdot k_4) \ldots (e_{n-1} \cdot k_n)(e_n \cdot k_1)$$



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full graviton:

$$\mathcal{J}_{3,1/2} \equiv \mathcal{I}_{3,1/2} \tilde{\mathcal{I}}_{3,1/2} + \frac{\pi}{\mathrm{Im}\,\tau} \mathcal{I}_{3,1/2}^m \tilde{\mathcal{I}}_{3,1/2}^m$$

$$\mathcal{I}^m_{3,1/2} = M^m_{1|2,3}$$

Berends-Giele building blocks



Berends, Giele '87

 $\begin{aligned} & \underset{123}{\overset{m}{=}} = e_{1}^{m} \\ & \underset{123}{\overset{m}{=}} = \frac{1}{2s_{123}} \Big[\mathfrak{e}_{2}^{m}(k_{2} \cdot \mathfrak{e}_{1}) + (\mathfrak{e}_{2})_{n} \mathfrak{f}_{1}^{mn} - (1 \leftrightarrow 2) \Big] \\ & \mathfrak{e}_{123}^{m} \equiv \frac{1}{2s_{123}} \Big[\mathfrak{e}_{3}^{m}(k_{3} \cdot \mathfrak{e}_{12}) + (\mathfrak{e}_{3})_{n} \mathfrak{f}_{12}^{mn} - (12 \leftrightarrow 3) \Big] + \Big[\mathfrak{e}_{23}^{m}(k_{23} \cdot \mathfrak{e}_{1}) + (\mathfrak{e}_{23})_{n} \mathfrak{f}_{1}^{mn} - (1 \leftrightarrow 23) \Big] \Big\} \end{aligned}$

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{f}_{1}^{mn} &\equiv 2k_{1}^{[m} \mathbf{e}_{1}^{n]} \\ \mathbf{f}_{12}^{mn} &\equiv 2k_{12}^{[m} \mathbf{e}_{12}^{n]} - 2\mathbf{e}_{1}^{[m} \mathbf{e}_{2}^{n]} \\ \mathbf{f}_{123}^{mn} &\equiv 2k_{123}^{[m} \mathbf{e}_{123}^{n]} - 2(\mathbf{e}_{12}^{[m} \mathbf{e}_{3}^{n]} + \mathbf{e}_{1}^{[m} \mathbf{e}_{23}^{n]}) \end{split}$$

Berends-Giele building blocks



$$M_{A,B} \equiv -\frac{1}{2} \mathfrak{f}_A^{mn} \mathfrak{f}_B^{mn} = M_{B,A}$$

$$\mathcal{E}^{m}_{A|B,C} \equiv \frac{i}{4} \epsilon^{m}{}_{npqrs} \mathfrak{e}^{n}_{A} \mathfrak{f}^{pq}_{B} \mathfrak{f}^{rs}_{C} = \mathcal{E}^{m}_{A|C,B}$$

building blocks

$$M^m_{A|B,C} \equiv \mathfrak{e}^m_A M_{B,C} + \mathfrak{e}^m_B M_{A,C} + \mathfrak{e}^m_C M_{A,B} + \mathcal{E}^m_{A|B,C} = M^m_{A|C,B}$$

4-pt function



$$X_{23} = s_{23} f_{23}^{(1)}$$

regular under integration

one side (which will be double-copied):

C's built from Berends-Giele M's

gauge invariance from "particle 1 + gauge invariant completion"

 $C_{1|23} \equiv M_{1,23} + M_{12,3} - M_{13,2}$

 $C_{1|234} \equiv M_{1,234} + M_{123,4} + M_{412,3} + M_{341,2} + M_{12,34} + M_{41,23}$



 $C_{1|2,3}^m \equiv M_{1|2,3}^m + k_2^m M_{12,3} + k_3^m M_{13,2}$

 $C_{1|23,4}^{m} \equiv M_{1|23,4}^{m} + M_{12|3,4}^{m} - M_{13|2,4}^{m} - k_{2}^{m} M_{132,4} + k_{3}^{m} M_{123,4} - k_{4}^{m} (M_{41,23} + M_{412,3} - M_{413,2})$

 $C_{1|2,3,4}^{mn} \equiv M_{1|2,3,4}^{mn} + 2\left[k_2^{(m}M_{12|3,4}^{n)} + (2\leftrightarrow 3,4)\right] - 2\left[k_2^{(m}k_3^{n)}M_{213,4} + (23\leftrightarrow 24,34)\right]$

Finally: closed string 4-pt function

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{J}_{4,1/2} &\equiv \left| X_{23,4} C_{1|234} + X_{24,3} C_{1|243} + \left[s_{12} f_{12}^{(2)} P_{1|2|3,4} + (2 \leftrightarrow 3, 4) \right] \right. \\ &+ \left[s_{23} f_{23}^{(2)} P_{1|(23)|4} + (23 \leftrightarrow 24, 34) \right] - 2F_{1/2}^{(2)}(\gamma) t_8(1, 2, 3, 4) \right|^2 \\ &+ \frac{\pi}{\mathrm{Im} \, \tau} (X_{23} C_{1|23,4}^m + X_{24} C_{1|24,3}^m + X_{34} C_{1|34,2}^m) (\bar{X}_{23} \tilde{C}_{1|23,4}^m + \bar{X}_{24} \tilde{C}_{1|24,3}^m + \bar{X}_{34} \tilde{C}_{1|34,2}^m) \\ &+ \left(\frac{\pi}{\mathrm{Im} \, \tau} \right)^2 \left(\frac{1}{2} C_{1|2,3,4}^{mn} \tilde{C}_{1|2,3,4}^{mn} - P_{1|2|3,4} \tilde{P}_{1|2|3,4} - P_{1|3|2,4} \tilde{P}_{1|3|2,4} - P_{1|4|2,3} \tilde{P}_{1|4|2,3} \right) \,. \end{aligned}$$

[see 1603.04790 for closely related 6-pt max. SUSY]

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apparent obstruction to double copy

(cf. Mafra-Schlotterer 1410.0668: obstruction in 6-point, related to chiral anomaly in hexagon, but: Green-Schwarz!)

Recreating low-energy results



$$\mathcal{M}^{R^{2}}(1,2,3)\left|_{\text{even}} = M_{1|2,3}^{m}\tilde{M}_{1|2,3}^{m}\right|_{\text{even}} = \begin{cases} -2\epsilon^{m}(e_{1},k_{2},e_{2},k_{3},e_{3})\epsilon_{m}(\tilde{e}_{1},k_{2},\tilde{e}_{2},k_{3},\tilde{e}_{3}) &: \text{IIA} \\ 0 & : \text{IIB} \end{cases}$$

$$B \wedge R \wedge R$$

 $\mathcal{M}^{R^{2}}(1,2,3) \Big|_{\text{odd}} = M_{1|2,3}^{m} \tilde{M}_{1|2,3}^{m} \Big|_{\text{odd}}$ $= \begin{cases} i \Big[e_{1}^{m}(e_{2} \cdot k_{3})(e_{3} \cdot k_{2}) + \operatorname{cyc}(1,2,3) \Big] \epsilon_{m}(\tilde{e}_{1},k_{2},\tilde{e}_{2},k_{3},\tilde{e}_{3}) - (e_{i} \leftrightarrow \tilde{e}_{i}) : \text{IIA, odd } \# \text{ of B-field} \\ i \Big[e_{1}^{m}(e_{2} \cdot k_{3})(e_{3} \cdot k_{2}) + \operatorname{cyc}(1,2,3) \Big] \epsilon_{m}(\tilde{e}_{1},k_{2},\tilde{e}_{2},k_{3},\tilde{e}_{3}) + (e_{i} \leftrightarrow \tilde{e}_{i}) : \text{IIB, two B-fields} \\ 0 : \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$



Half to quarter supersymmetry

$$\mathcal{J}_{n,1/4}^{e,e} = \mathcal{J}_{n,1/2}^{e,e} \Big|_{F_{1/2}^{(k)}(\gamma_{k,k'}) \to F_{1/4}^{(k+1)}(\gamma_{k,k'}^{j}), \ \bar{F}_{1/2}^{(k)}(\bar{\gamma}_{k,k'}) \to \bar{F}_{1/4}^{(k+1)}(\bar{\gamma}_{k,k'}^{j})}$$



N=8 maximal

N = 4 half-maximal

N = 2

quarter-maximal











snail

shy snail



N=1,2 amplitude



interplay locality / gauge invariance

[see 1410.0668 for closely related 6-pt max. SUSY]

MHV calculation of 4-pt vector

Bianchi, Consoli '15

 Can combine different kinematic factors, leads to very simple expression

$$\left| \mathcal{A}_{4}^{1\text{-loop}}[1^{-},2^{-},3^{+},4^{+}] = \frac{{\alpha'}^{4}g_{s}^{4}}{8}F_{--++}^{4} \int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{dT}{T} \int d\mu^{(4)} \Big[4\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{N}} + \mathcal{E}_{\mathcal{N}} \left(\mathcal{Y}_{12} + \mathcal{Y}_{34} - \mathcal{Y}_{13} - \mathcal{Y}_{24} - \mathcal{Y}_{14} - \mathcal{Y}_{23}\right) \right] \Pi$$

no poles!

no factorization! believe 0/0 problem, but more work needed.

surprising in 4-pt function!

[see 1603.04790 for closely related 6-pt max. SUSY]

Outlook

Cachazo, He, Yuan,

Scattering equations: relation?

e.g. Mafra, Schlotterer, Stieberger, Tsimpis '10 Ochirov, Tourkine '14

- Field theory amplitudes: more on BCJ from string amplitudes
- Hybrid formalism in orbifold, AdS/plane wave loop corrections
- Approach from integrability: relation?

Hoare, Tseytlin, ...,

• Ambitwistor orbifolds?